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**From:** Edmondson, Lucy [Edmondson.Lucy@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/15/2019 9:02:45 PM  
**To:** Opalski, Dan [Opalski.Dan@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Quick response needed! Request for Hot Topics: WGA Breakfast 2/24

If you have time this afternoon, would be good to check in on a few things ... am around...

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**To:** Edmondson, Lucy <Edmondson.Lucy@epa.gov>; Chung, Angela <Chung.Angela@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Quick response needed! Request for Hot Topics: WGA Breakfast 2/24

Thanks, Lucy. I would very much appreciate your taking a first crack if you are willing. Let me know if you want to talk otherwise.

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**From:** Edmondson, Lucy  
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**To:** Opalski, Dan <Opalski.Dan@epa.gov>; Chung, Angela <Chung.Angela@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Quick response needed! Request for Hot Topics: WGA Breakfast 2/24

Dan/Angela

For WA, here are two hot topics.

Concern changes to states authority under 401 Certification, including time to review draft permits and EPA's recent action to pull back NPDES permits for the Columbia River dams  
WA WQS

Do you want my assistance in pulling together the few sentences that Cindy will want?

Lucy

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**Subject:** Quick response needed! Request for Hot Topics: WGA Breakfast 2/24

Hello ET Members!

I'm pinch hitting for Cindy while she is on AL...below is a short fuse request from OCIR for hot issues for the Western Governors Association breakfast with cabinet officials on 2/24. We've got representation from WA, OR and ID.

Looking for very, very short write ups on only the hottest issues that could come up in a setting like this...see examples below.

**Deadline is Tuesday COB, so if you could send Cindy and me your items by noon Tuesday, we'd have time to do any editing/formatting and get them sent in to OCIR. Ops Directors may want to take the lead and coordinate w/program Office Directors, to avoid duplication of effort.**

Thanks, as always, folks!!

p.s. copying Sue for awareness purposes only. AK not attending.

Marianne

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Hi Liaisons,

We're again hosting the Western Governors' Association for a breakfast meeting with cabinet officials on February 24. To prepare the Acting Administrator's briefing book, please send me any hot issues for your states by **COB Tuesday, Feb. 19**. We're looking for very high-level issues, max 1-2 sentences each. See below for formatting examples (these are from a couple of years ago). Thanks in advance for your quick reply – the shutdown put us a bit behind schedule!

These are the WGA states – those who have confirmed their attendance are highlighted (but note WGA is still awaiting some confirmations, so we're expecting a few more):

Region 6: TX, OK, NM

Region 7: NE, KS

Region 8: ND, SD, MT, WY, UT, CO

Region 9: CA, NV, AZ, HI, Guam, AS, NMI

Region 10: WA, OR, ID (AK confirmed he will not attend)

**KANSAS** (Governor Sam Brownback)

- **Nutrient Reduction Efforts** – Kansas has worked hard at employing watershed based projects addressing nutrient enrichment primarily in drinking water reservoirs through their 319 program, and listed waters where

impairment has occurred. This may just be to highlight these efforts and to ensure funding continues to support these efforts via 319.

- **Kansas Water Plan**- Established through the Kansas Water Office. While there are aspects related to water quality, it is primarily a water quantity related effort that seeks to integrate quality. Like other western states, Kansas has experienced challenges due to drought and lowering aquifers.

**WYOMING** (Governor Matt Mead)

- Disputed Wind River boundaries
- Direct implementation of the drinking water program
- Regional haze and the Clean Power Plan
- Wind River Transfer Station/Open Dumping
- Use Attainability Analysis

Please let me know if any questions. Thank you!

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